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## WEYLER TALKS ABOUT RUZ

He Says Moret Is Responsible for the Execution.

The Automaton Insurgents Have No Power Over Those Bearing Arms—Madrid Press Excited.

New York, Dec. 22.—A Madrid dispatch to the Journal says Gen. Weyler, in speaking of the death of Col. Ruiz, said:

"Moret is responsible for that death. He placed all his trust in those pseudo-insurgents, who call themselves autonomists, and who have no power over the insurgents in arms. It is yet time to save in Cuba the honor of the army and the sovereignty of Spain, but we must make haste. Otherwise it will be too late. Let the Cortes commence to undo Moret's work of autonomy, and let the new government be formed and ready to undertake in Cuba a policy opposed to the present one."

The Madrid opposition press attacks the government wildly, asking if the Cuban autonomists have not sufficient influence with the rebels to negotiate with them, what are they good for?

New York, Dec. 22.—Thomas Estrada Palma, Cuban delegate to the United States, defended the action of the insurgents in executing Gen. Blanco's aide, Col. Ruiz. He says:

"The death of Col. Ruiz did not occur as the Spanish have put it, while he was negotiating as a truce messenger, under a flag of truce. Again and again have the Cubans promulgated the law that all who should come to them with peace propositions not based on the independence of Cuba should be treated as spies and dealt with accordingly. Col. Ruiz not only knew the existence of the law, but, according to the Spanish accounts, was personally warned as to his fate."

"Gen. Blanco and Secretary General Conzalez, too, were well aware of the existence of the decree. Nevertheless, these latter took advantage of the unfortunate situation of Col. Ruiz, and sent him to the Cuban lines. The blood of Col. Ruiz is not on the hands of Blanco and Conzalez, but upon the heads of Blanco and Conzalez, who sent him to his fate. If the penalty of the law had been carried into effect, doubtless Spain would have taken advantage of the fact to show that Cubans were not in earnest in their rejection of autonomy absolutely, but were willing to listen to arguments."

"It is somewhat remarkable that with the first news of the death of Col. Ruiz, came the first news of the killing by the Spanish of over forty sick and wounded Cubans, found in a hospital, and that a voice was raised in protest against the shooting of Cuban prisoners by the secret police without comment; the thousands of wounded Cuban soldiers slain in hospitals, and that little notice—it is so common—according to all the laws of civilized warfare, the Cubans, from the beginning, had the right to retaliate in kind, but they never have done so."

Amelia Glover Probably Dying. New York, Dec. 22.—Amelia Glover, once known upon the stage as the "American Fawn" for her graceful dancing, is ill, probably dying, at her home in Brooklyn. She is unconscious most of the time, and when conscious, is unable to speak.

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## BLANCO DISCOVERS A PLOT

Carlists Said to Intend Seizing Havana Forth.

## NUMBER OF ARRESTS MADE

Sentiment Favorable to the Annexation of Cuba to America Reported to Be Growing Among Spanish Residents, Who Have No Faith in Spain's Ability to Restore Order.

New York, Dec. 22.—A dispatch from Havana says Captain General Blanco has officially cabled to Premier Sagasta that a widespread Carlism plot has been unearthed here to overthrow the liberal regime in Cuba and seize Havana, with its forts and garrisons.

Several officials of the army and navy, with the editor of certain newspaper organs, who championed Weyler's liberal measures, are implicated. A number of arrests have been made and several commanders have been charged to the annexation of Cuba to the United States is growing among the resident Spaniards, who are convinced that autonomy is impracticable, and the efforts of Spain to restore order are hopeless.

The advantages of annexation were openly discussed at the recent meetings of the produce and other exchanges.

## TORU HOSHI AND SHERMAN

They Discuss Japan's Withdrawal of Her Hawaiian Protest.

The Minister Insists, However, That America's Guarantee Must Be Perfectly Explicit.

## THE JAPANESE MINISTER, TORU HOSHI, CALLED ON SECRETARY SHERMAN TODAY BY APPOINTMENT

and spent an hour with him, discussing the formal treaty of the Japanese government to Secretary Sherman's report of last spring to Japan's protest against the annexation of Hawaii.

It developed during the conference that the Japanese note and precisely followed the lines stated in The Times last Thursday when the minister left a copy with the Secretary. The note states that the Japanese government, upon further consideration of the subject, Minister Hoshi having been called to Tokyo for consultation, withdraws the formal protest in view of the assurances of the United States that the right and property of Japanese in the Hawaiian Islands would be fully protected by Japan, inasmuch as, however, that this guarantee be made perfectly explicit.

The note also undertakes to demonstrate the fallacy of Secretary Sherman's intimation that Japan had been pouring her subjects into the islands with an ulterior purpose, and gives figures to show that the Japanese immigration has steadily declined since 1883, and that recently the figures were comparatively insignificant.

## EBENEZER CHURCH'S SIDEWALK

It Will Not Be Laid By the District Authorities.

The trustees of Ebenezer Church, at the corner of Fourth and D streets southeast, find that they will be obliged to pay half of the cost to have new pavements laid around the sidewalks.

A delegation from the church called at the District Building today and said that they desired to have cement walks laid on Fourth street and on D at a distance of considerably over 100 feet. They supposed that there would be no cost to the church. When told that they would be assessed half the cost of the improvement the delegation said that there must be some mistake.

The secretary of the society stated that for twenty years there had been grading and sewers and water and all kinds of improvements, in addition to the real estate tax, and that the church had never been obliged to pay a penny tax. He seemed much hurt that such a thing should be asked now. He stated that the church has cost \$24,000, and that there is more left for sidewalks.

The delegation was informed that the controller and the attorney for the District have both held repeatedly that an assessment is not a tax and cannot be cancelled.

## TOWN MAY BE DESTROYED.

Big Fire Raging at Columbus, Miss., and Swift Breeze Blowing.

Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 22.—A big fire is raging at Columbus, Miss. The Great Hotel and Western Union Telegraph office have been destroyed and adjoining buildings are burning.

A stiff breeze is blowing, and the entire business portion of the city is threatened. A loss is already \$20,000.

## BARRED FROM SCHOOL.

Gertrude Lewis Elopes and, Returning, Is Not Readmitted.

St. Louis, Dec. 22.—Mrs. Sam Foster, once yesterday, barred from the high school from which she would graduate in June because she is a married woman.

She was Miss Gertrude Lewis until last Thursday, when she eloped with Sam Foster. Now she wants to finish her schooling. She threatens mandamus proceedings.

Caught Between Car and Cart. Frederick C. Methin, aged fifty years, while attempting to board a Metropolitan electric car this morning at Twenty-eighth and P streets northwest, was caught between the car and a passing cart and seriously hurt about the breast and legs. He was taken into a drug store on the corner and attended by Dr. Katoiff. A cab was called and Methin later removed to his home, No. 3020 Cambridge Place.

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## DORA CLAY'S BROTHERS FIGHT.

One Calls the Other a Liar—Pistol and Knife Flourished.

Valley View, Ky., Dec. 22.—Chill and Will Richardson, brothers of Dora Clay, the young wife of Gen. Cassius M. Clay, had a desperate fight last night in Dora's house, as the result of stories regarding Dora's intentions to return to Whitehall.

The brothers are bent on preventing her from returning. In order, Gen. Clay's friends assert, to get money out of Gen. Clay or his children, and have fallen out over what has proved to be a better thing than they expected.

Cecil Richardson had asserted that E. L. Hayden of this place, had said that he paid \$25 for a confession from Mrs. Clay that her brother was to get money from Gen. Clay's children if he succeeded in preventing Dora returning to the general.

The confession was alleged to have been made to Hayden and John Biggs.

Will Richardson denied Hayden's assertion and his brother called him a liar, whereupon Will shot four times at him, missing him. Cecil then drew his knife and drove Will from the place. There is bitter feeling between the brothers over the affair.

## FUNERAL OF MISS HERBERT

It Was Held at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church This Afternoon.

The remains will be carried to Montgomery, Ala., and interred beside the Mother's Grave.

The funeral service over the remains of Miss Lela Herbert, who, during a state of mental derangement, committed suicide yesterday, was celebrated at St. Andrew's Protestant Episcopal Church, corner of Sixteenth and Corcoran streets, this afternoon at 3:30. The service of committal will be observed at Montgomery, Ala., where the interment will take place.

The service today was simple and strictly in accordance with the ritual of the Episcopal Church, and there was no music other than the hymns and anthems for the dead prescribed in the ritual. Rev. Dr. J. B. Perry conducted the service.

He made no address, as this is a very unusual thing in his church. After the service, which consumed about half an hour, a guard of honor remained with the body till the time for its transfer to the train, which will leave over the Southern Railway for Montgomery at 10 o'clock tonight.

The honorary pallbearers were Senator Pettus, Senator John T. Morgan, Dr. J. L. N. Curry, Secretary Lord, Capt. Charles O'Neill, Paymaster General Stewart, Naval Constructor Hichmont, Mr. Charles M. Bell, Col. Withrop and Admiral Ramsey.

The active pallbearers were Lieut. Gilmore, U. S. A.; Mr. L. A. Shaver, Mr. L. H. Finney, Dr. John C. Boyd, U. S. N.; Thomas H. Clark, of Alabama; Representative T. S. Plummer, Mr. John W. Wright and Lieut. Sutherland.

Ex-Secretary Herbert reached the city over the Southern Railway at 10 o'clock last night. Friends had wired him that his daughter was very ill, and advised him to come to Washington at once. Later he was wired that a party of friends would meet him at Calverton, Va. This was enough to let the father know that the daughter was dead, and yet it did not rob him of all hope that she yet lived.

Rev. Dr. Perry, who presided at the funeral, said that since they came to Washington, Dr. Johnston and Mr. Meow, Mr. Herbert's son-in-law, met him at Calverton, a little railroad junction about forty miles from here. They broke the story of his loss to him.

Rev. Dr. Perry spoke about the dead girl with a great deal of genuine feeling this morning. When the family came to Washington, Mrs. Herbert was a young girl, a little more than a year old, and was a devoted child, and with the poor. She never turned a needy person away, no matter what their color or appearance.

"She was a noble girl. The political promotion of her father did not turn her head. She kept in touch with her old acquaintances and ministered to the wants of the poor as she had always done."

"She was very much like her mother," said the pastor. "Her mother was as noble a woman as ever lived. If the acts of charity which she did could be printed it would read like a romance. Lela will be buried by the side of her mother at Montgomery."

## RECORD OF MORTALITY.

Death Rate for Last Week Shown by Health Officer's Report.

The deaths in the District during the last week numbered 107, of which 29 were of white and 44 colored people. The annual death rate for the total population was 17.1, and for the colored 22.2.

As compared with the week previous the mortality from consumption increased from 12 to 17; that from diseases of the nervous system from 9 to 17; and that from malignant growths from 3 to 7. There was a decrease in the number of deaths from pneumonia from 17 to 9. That among children under one year old remained stationary at 22. Of the diseases of the zymotic class there were four fatal cases of diphtheria, six of typhoid fever and one of whooping cough.

In addition to the 55 cases of diphtheria under treatment at the close of the last report, 17 new cases were reported. Nineteen cases were released from quarantine, thus leaving 83 cases in isolation in 50 placarded premises.

Of scarlet fever 11 new cases were reported; 4 cases were pronounced recovered, leaving 38 cases in quarantine in 29 premises, with warning cards displayed.

The weather conditions during the week were a mean temperature of the air of 43 degrees; a mean relative humidity of .35; and a rainfall of 1.33 inches. There were 6 cloudy days, and the winds averaged in velocity 6 miles per hour.

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## PIRATES ATTACK SAILORS

Wrecked Crew Has a Hard Time With Them.

## FINALLY DRIVES THEM OFF

Barb Marion S. Harris Stranded on a Coral Reef Near Cape St. Roque. Swarms of Mysterious Natives Assault the Ship in Boats and Try to Board Her.

New York, Dec. 22.—Chief Officer Hooper of the Barbadoes, wrecked bark Marion S. Harris, reached port today with three of his crew on board the steamship Havilla, from Brazil ports, and tells a thrilling story of shipwreck at sea, together with a savage fight with tropical natives.

The M. Harris sailed from New York on October 9 for Rio Janeiro, laden with coal and lumber. For over a month the dull routine of the voyage was unmarred by incident worthy of mention.

The troubles set in the land and fast, and the ship was rapidly drifting off to the southeast.

Investigation showed that she had fallen in with a strong current from the North-west. The ship was trimmed to catch every breath of air, and every nautical trick resorted to to make headway against the drift, but the light and fluky breeze prevented the maneuver.

Capt. Dasey knew they were rapidly drifting toward a lee shore, and that his ship would be wrecked unless a good breeze sprang up. The crew gathered forward to discuss the situation and pipe for a breeze, but it never came. About 8:30 o'clock at night the vessel without warning struck a coral reef about six miles from shore, where she remained hard and fast with the sea breaking over her.

There was no danger of the immediate breaking up of the vessel, so the men remained by her. Next morning Capt. Dasey and a boat's crew set out for Natal in a lifeboat for assistance. While they were gone swarms of piratical natives from the coast put out to the vessel and surrounded her.

Several attempts were made to board the vessel, but the man who armed his men with pistols, marlinettes, and clubs, and the boarders were repelled, but not before some heads were smashed by the hardy sailors.

On the 17th the vessel commenced to break up. Toward night Capt. Dasey returned to the vessel with a lighter, but his crew refused to proceed to save the cargo when, they say, they saw she would break up.

There being no hope of saving the ship she was abandoned and the crew took to the boats and landed at Natal on the 22d. They were taken off by the American consul, who, after eight days, forwarded them to Pernambuco, where they took passage for home by the steamship Havilla.

## REV. W. W. BROWNE'S FUNERAL.

Impressive Services at Metropolitan A. M. E. Church.

The funeral services over the remains of the Rev. W. W. Browne, of Richmond, Va., who died in this city yesterday morning at No. 2114 Pennsylvania Avenue, were held this morning at the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church on M street. The Rev. Mr. Browne was the founder of the United Order of True Reformers, and president of the Reformers' Saving Bank, which he established in Richmond in 1882.

The service, in the absence of the Rev. J. A. Johnson, pastor of the Metropolitan Church, was conducted by the Rev. W. H. Hunter, of the district, Ia, presiding elder of the district. In the chapel, assisting were: Rev. W. B. Hunter, D. D., of Richmond; Rev. J. B. Anderson, pastor of Shiloh church; Rev. J. L. Thomas, D. D., of Astor, N. Y.; Rev. E. P. Wiggins, Rev. W. B. Brooks, Nineteenth Street Baptist; Rev. James H. Lee, Third Baptist; Rev. W. J. Howard, Zion Baptist, and others.

The grand officers of the order present were: S. W. Rutherford, department, general Northern Grand Division; R. T. Hill, cashier of the True Reformers Bank; Rev. J. T. Carpenter, business manager of the bank; M. B. James, D. W. S., of the Grand Fountain; Dr. W. B. Scott, J. W. Brown, Mrs. F. H. James, and Mrs. Julia Mason Layton.

The remains were escorted from No. 2114 Pennsylvania Avenue to the church by the Capital City Band.

At the close of the service resolutions of sympathy and regret were read by Mrs. Julia Mason Layton, worthy secretary of Jerusalem Fountain No. 1641.

The pallbearers were W. A. Bowie, George R. Gamett, E. B. Washington, Philip Louis, Harry Washington, Luey Winslow, A. B. Winslow and George W. Himm.

The body remained in the church until 3 o'clock this afternoon, when it was removed to Richmond, Va., for interment.

PAID WITH FORGED CHECKS. Chicago Society Man Said to Have Settled Hotel Bills That Way.

Chicago, Dec. 22.—Maurice B. Pike, prominent in Woodlawn society, and having an excellent reputation, is in custody at the county jail on a charge of forgery, preferred by the managers of Hotel Del Prado.

In default of bonds, Justice Lyons sent him to jail to await arraignment on December 30.

Mr. and Mrs. Pike, who at the Del Prado last summer, was noted for the lavish entertainments they gave. He is alleged to have passed forged checks to the amount of nearly \$600 on the hotel company. He refused to make any statement, but his friends say extravagance and a passion for gambling have caused his disgrace.

The Morning, Evening and Sunday Times for fifty cents a month. Manly \$1.00 each, any size you have. These are made strong.

## ESCAPED FROM PRISON.

Vice President Pereira of Brazil No Longer Behind the Bars.

Rio Janeiro, Dec. 22.—It is reported in this city that Vice President Pereira has escaped from the prison to which he was sent by President Moraes on the charge that he was plotting to kill the President and upset the government.

The trial of Senator Gentil, a member of the chamber of deputies, for alleged complicity in the recent plot to kill the President, has begun.

The Brazilian government has increased the tariff on international telegraph and cable dispatches.

## LUIGI IS LAUGHING.

Takes Testimony of His Former Watchman as a Great Joke.

Chicago, Dec. 22.—Frank Black, the ex-watchman in the Lucretia factory, resumed the stand in the Lucretia trial this morning. Black's testimony does not differ materially from that given at the first trial, but it is having a peculiar effect on the big prisoner.

When Black first told his story Lucretia smiled continually and appeared excessively nervous. Now he takes Black's testimony as a huge joke. He shakes with laughter and attempts to communicate his mirth to the jurors.

## RUSSIA NOW CHINA'S FRIEND

Her Influence All-Powerful in the Celestial Empire.

British Prestige There a Thing of the Past and German Officers Supplanted by Muscovites.

Peking, Dec. 22.—If in consequence of concessions on the part of China to other powers Great Britain should demand a quid pro quo, it is suggested that this could be made by an Anglo-Japanese occupation of Wei-Hai-Wei. Germany refusing to give up Kiao Chou Bay.

It is regarded as unquestionable that both Port Arthur and Kiao Chou Bay were promised to Russia by a secret treaty, and the Chinese are hesitating between peace and war with Germany.

British influence in China, which was weakened by the failure of the negotiations whereby China, expected to obtain a British loan through the Hodge-Johnson syndicate, is now a thing of the past, and only Russia is consulted by the Chinese government in weighty affairs. Propagandists looking to the conclusion of a loan in Russia are now proceeding, and it is likely that they will be successful.

The British railway engineers employed in Northern China have been dismissed upon Russia's demand, and Russian drill instructors will replace the German officers acting in that capacity in the Chinese army at the expiration of the engagements of the Germans.

Russian drill instructors have already been appointed in the armies of North China.

## MARRIAGE VERY MUCH MIXED

Matrimonial Troubles of a Couple in Texas.

Waco, Tex., Dec. 22.—L. Gaylord and Mrs. S. C. Horton were united in marriage here yesterday for the second time, the couple having been divorced and each having contracted a second marriage. Mr. Gaylord got a divorce decree from his second wife and Mrs. Horton from her second husband, and yesterday they reached here by agreement from Florida and were reunited.

Their first wedding took place fourteen years ago when they lived together as man and wife. They had a boy and a girl, were born to them. Mr. and Mrs. Gaylord and their two children went into the country yesterday to start up life anew on a farm.

## NEW YORK IN JEOPARDY.

Her Position Illustrates the Need of a Powerful Navy.

Mr. Wheeler, of Alabama, speaking of the absolute necessity for maintaining a proper Navy, said today:

"To give an idea of some of the amount of property jeopardized by having an inadequate Navy, I will mention some statistics as regards the population and property of New York city, which does not include the cities in its immediate vicinity, which, so far as military defense is concerned, are a part of this great metropolitan area. We have a population of 3,385,771; value of real estate, \$2,377,257,820; personal estate, \$415,208,921; public property, \$36,917,928; total clearing house exchanges in 1896, \$51,922,220,114; New York's population was \$29,350,894,854."

"Ten ocean steamship lines flagging the North Atlantic trade have a fleet of eighty-eight steamships, with a tonnage of 380,000 gross tons. We have in this the vast southern and domestic coast trade and the large number of foreign tramp steamships and sailing vessels, the number of which it is impossible to estimate. Last year the exports and imports, which passed through the harbor of New York amounted to \$1,039,364,216, much more than half the exports and imports of the whole country."

"Ten railroads, with gross annual earnings of \$245,000,000, have their terminals in New York, six of which are coal roads, and it is difficult to estimate the suffering which would follow the stoppage of these roads by a successful invasion."

"The capture by a foreign army of Berlin, Paris, Madrid, Rome, Vienna, Constantinople, St. Petersburg, and we might include London, would be less disastrous to those countries than the capture of New York would be to the United States."

## SENATOR HANNA AT HOME.

His Friends Will Open Headquarters at Columbus on Monday.

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 22.—Senator M. A. Hanna reached home this morning. He was accompanied by Mrs. Hanna and their daughter.

The Senator said he had home here merely to spend the holidays. He had nothing to offer on the political situation.

Senator Hanna's friends will open headquarters at Columbus on Monday next, when the Senatorial fight will begin in earnest. He will remain here until the Senatorial puzzle is solved. It requires seven votes to defeat Mr. Hanna. Col. Dick says the opposition cannot mustered three and that Mr. Hanna will be triumphantly elected.

## FORMER SWEET A PAUPER.

Edward Pettinger, Once Wealthy, Sent to the Almshouse.

Mount Vernon, N. Y., Dec. 22.—Edward Pettinger, who was formerly a wealthy lawyer and real estate speculator of New York, was yesterday committed as a pauper to the county almshouse of Westchester. He is fifty-four years old and twenty years ago was said to be one of the best-dressed men who frequented Broadway.

Disipation, rash speculation, etc., resulted in his utter degradation, the closing chapter of which was opened yesterday when, deserted by all his friends he was conveyed to the poorhouse. It is said that he was once worth \$250,000.

Hot Bed snail 50 cents, the best in the market for 613 gins.

## TRYING TO SUSTAIN A LEASE.

American Asphalt Co.'s Suit Against Secretary Bliss.

The American Asphalt Company of Colorado today brought suit against Cornelius N. Bliss, Secretary of the Interior, and William A. Jones, Commissioner of Indian Affairs, to enjoin them from declaring void a lease to certain mining lands on the Unalak Indian reservation, and from interfering in the necessary operation of the company on their property.

The American Asphalt Company held a valid lease, executed February 7, 1894, for the Unalak and White tribes of Indians, to mining lands in the Unalak reservation, supposed to contain valuable deposits of asphaltum and other minerals. The Secretary of the Interior and various of his agents had recognized this lease on several occasions.

Under the lease, however, the company was compelled to complete its surveys of the land—5,000 acres in all—by December 1, 1893, and file its maps by January 1, 1894. The company secured an extension of time on account of delays, but their agent was delayed by a railroad accident while on his way East with the maps and did not appear on time.

The government considered the lease forfeited, with the \$5,000 deposit, and since then has forcibly asserted this position by keeping the company off the land.

## LABORER'S HORRIBLE DEATH.

Caught by a Shaft and His Body Crushed Against a Wall.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 22.—A shocking accident occurred at the machine shop of McIntosh, Hemphill & Co. this morning, resulting in the death of John Clark, a laborer. Clark had been washing windows, and in descending a ladder his blouse was caught by a shaft making hundreds of revolutions per minute.